

ONLY BARS CAN SELL TWO Spirituous Drinks

at the Same Time - with Limitations

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In a bar, a patron may have two spirituous liquor drinks in front of them at the same time as long as:

- They DO NOT have a shot of the same type of primary liquor as they have in their cocktail. (See the topics article on "SIDECARS").

However, if they do have two spirituous cocktails at the same time, **the total alcohol for both drinks combined can only equal 2.5 ounces of alcohol.** A bar can sell a cocktail and shot together:

- As long as the liquor total is no more than 2.5 ounces. For instance, a 1 ounce shot and a cocktail which contains 1.5 ounces or less may be served at the same time.
- IF the shot is not the same liquor as contained in the cocktail. The intent is that it would (perhaps) curtail a patron from pouring their shot into their cocktail and making a "double".
- But, you cannot mix the same type of liquors together just because it is a different brand, or it's a different flavor such as lemon vodka and plain vodka or dark rum and white rum, etc.

CAN'T DO EXAMPLES:

- Two shots of vodka
- Tom Collins and a shot of gin
- Shot of bourbon & shot of whiskey
- Spiced rum shot and a rum daiquiri

CAN DO EXAMPLES:

- A shot of whiskey and a daiquiri
- Shot of vodka and a mint julep
- Vodka Collins and a spiced rum shot
- Two Margaritas

What about other types of promotional presentations of alcohol such as hanging shot glasses, tooters, bomb shots, etc.?

Creative bartenders are presenting some of their alcoholic beverages in interesting packaging to increase sales. **But beware and be careful so the presentation is still legal.**



This bomb shot would be TWO DRINKS & and can't be more than 2.5 ounces total, nor the same type of liquor



Hanging shots = "sidecars" and are not legal. Flavorings can't be sold separately or they will become a primary pour, and the customers can't mix their own cocktails.



A shot in any type of container must be ordered one at a time and can be no more than 1.5 ounces each. Two (or more) of these would not be legal.